Minutes of Emergency Meeting held June 29, 2018

Emergency meeting with the following present: Mayor Mark Bowen; Aldermen Jerry Stone, Jamie Dahler, Ruben Gonzalez, Sam Cortez; City Secretary Josie Campa; Director of Public Works James McGrath; City Attorney Tom Cate.

Visitors: Gabriel Romero, Kaveh Khorzad (by phone).

Mayor Bowen opened the emergency meeting at 3:00 p.m. and told Council the reason for the meeting.

**CONSIDER AND ACT UPON THE RECOMMENDATION FROM THE HYDROLOGIST ON WELL #4 BEING DRILLED ANOTHER ONE HUNDRED (100) FEET INTO THE EDWARDS AQUIFER**

Kaveh Khorzad, hydrologist for Well #4 project joined the meeting by phone. Mayor Bowen asked him to explain his recommendation to Council. Mr. Khorzad told Council that McKinley has drilled to 2400 feet and are in the Edwards Aquifer. He said that they are using a mud rotary technique that doesn’t allow for the yield to be identified. He told Council he feels that it would be wise to go another one hundred (100) feet into the aquifer for more assurance of a better yield of water. He told Council that it would cost $8,600.00 to drill the additional one hundred (100) feet. Mr. Khorzad told Council that if the driller still has the rig in place at the well, it would cost $8,600.00. However, if they leave the site and are called back after well is test pumped, it would cost an additional $15,000.00 for resetting the drilling rig. Mr. Khorzad told Council the additional one hundred (100) feet would put the well at the bottom of the Edwards Aquifer.

After discussion, Alderman Cortez made the motion that Council approve the recommendation from Kaveh Khorzad to drill the city’s new well another one hundred (100) feet for $8,600.00 and that the budget be amended accordingly. Seconded by Alderman Stone. Passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 3:20p.m.